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Will be out of Court.

Memphis & Charleston to go to the Southern.

United States Circuit Judge H. H. Lurton left for Cincinnati yesterday, and consequently an "American" reporter could not get to see him to confirm the following bit of news. It will be remembered that the Memphis and Charleston Railroad is in the hands of receivers, operated through orders of the United States Court. Here is the matter:

"It is a foregone conclusion that the Memphis & Charleston Railway will fall under the immediate control of the Southern Railway within the next thirty days, certainly within sixty days. A prominent railroad official, not connected with either of the roads named, said yesterday: 'The Southern Railway owns and has owned for some time the majority of the Memphis & Charleston stock, but the bondholders' committee is a very strong one. The Southern Railway must have a line to Memphis and they can afford to pay more for it than anybody else. The old East Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia owned 51-100 of the Memphis & Charleston stock, and it is stated that that holding has been increased. The entry of the road into Chattanooga on its own rails, via South Pittsburg is a certainty, and that matter is now not only being considered, but the preliminaries arranged. Several surveys have been made, and a final survey will be commenced early next month. The full details will probably be announced about May 10.'"—Nashville American.

Accident at South Pittsburg.

South Pittsburg, April 14.—In an accident at the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railway Company's furnaces here this afternoon caused by a runaway car colliding with a load of ore that was being unloaded in a stock house, Will Welch, white, was probably fatally injured. He was knocked from the car and fell through the stock house, both arms being so badly crushed that amputation was necessary. A negro was also knocked from the car, one leg being broken. Another negro was badly hurt. Welch's recovery is doubtful.

Just the Proper Caper.

Comrade J. G. Lankester, of Jasper, was elected on the Council of administration at the twelfth annual encampment of the Department of Tennessee, G. A. R., Tuesday last, which was just the proper caper.

Col. S. H. Melcher says he don't live at Mentone, Ala., and don't want to. He also says if Sequachee don't satisfy him better than the other places he has been to around here, all letters addressed to Crow Lake, So. Dacata, will easily reach him although the lake has dried up.

LOCAL.

Advertise in THE NEWS.

Mr. G. Sherman spent Tuesday in Chattanooga.

Mr. G. Sherman was in South Pittsburg Friday.

Job printing done just as you want it this office.

Mrs. J. Brown is visiting relatives at Whitwell this week.

Mr. G. W. Lewis, of Victoria, passed through here Tuesday.

S. P. Pryor leaves this week to attend Presbytery at Spring City.

Mr. A. W. Pryor, of the Jasper Milling Co., was in town Wednesday.

Misses Bell and Mollie Francis were visiting at Mr. Graham's this week.

Mrs. R. J. Brown returned from Whitwell Monday after a short visit there.

M. John Ferguson and wife, of Jasper, were visiting Mrs. P. M. Pryor Sunday.

Mr. G. M. Brown, of Brownsville, was down Sunday. G. M. likes Sequachee City.

Hudson & Cordell, of Dunlap, contemplate moving their saw mill to Looney's Creek.

Some of our Literary people got kind of huffy last Friday night, the jokes being too strong.

Who were the girls that were smitten with a young widower at church last Sunday night?

Miss Janie Francis came up from Jasper Saturday to visit home folks, returning Monday morning.

The Jasper Handle Works is filling a large order for axe handles for shipment to Barcelona, Spain.

Mrs. Mattie Lasater, of Santo Texas, arrived in Jasper Monday week and is visiting at Prof. Moores.

The high water damaged the oats in this county very much, in some places completely destroying it.

Mr. L. J. Venable left for Chattanooga Monday having severed his connection with the Valve Works here.

Mr. James Dixon, of Chattanooga representing the Chattanooga National Building & Loan Association was in town Monday.

A Mr. Newton, of Bledsoe Co., passed through here Thursday with his saw mill outfit en route to Jeffrey's cove, Ala.

The NEWS is under obligations to Senator Harris for statistics of Agriculture, Irrigation and Fisheries, Eleventh Census of 1890.

Miss Junia Hobcombe captured the prize for reading given by the Monteagle Home Culture Society of Monteagle, last week.

Who is the young man that is heard to whistle to his chum every Friday night as he leaves his best girl? Guess he is afraid in the dark.

The Whitwell correspondent of the South Pittsburg Statesman says that at least twenty-five houses have been erected there since the first of the year.

In the absence of coal we are warming our office by burning two year old walnuts, which burn well, verily this is a country of great natural advantages.

The Vanderbilt University Glee Club will give a concert in Bridgeport, April 17th. All who are able should certainly hear them as they are all artists of the first water.

Step into our office and see our Courier-Journal Almanac, and you will at once take up with our remarkable offer. Remember that by doing so you get the Almanac FREE.

Post 53 voted at its last meeting to accept the invitation of the Odd Fellows to attend their picnic Saturday, April 25. The Post will assemble at the Depot at Whitwell at 10:00 a. m.

Mr. Henry Kent we are sorry to know was obliged to return home from Chattanooga on account of pain and trouble in his head. We trust he will soon be able to resume work again.

Mr. W. L. Melcher last week received a new carriage from Cleveland, Ohio. It is a good strong comfortable vehicle as we had the pleasure of riding in it from Jasper Saturday.

We are pleased to receive many flattering encomiums on the poem written for the NEWS by Mr. J. M. Curnutt, of Globe, Arizona, and published in our last issue. It was liked very much.

Now Mr. Melcher has his team, horse, harness and buggy he can and does get round considerably, more than he could otherwise. Now let us have the road up the mountain begun at once.

We regret to hear that Mrs. R. C. Mills had a relapse Friday evening and her condition was very critical. A doctor was obtained from South Pittsburg, and Saturday morning she was much easier.

The doubting Thomases of South Pittsburg smiled contemptuously when they read in last week's Statesman that the Memphis & Charleston railroad "was coming." Now just watch the doubting Thomases get knocked out again. That was no April fool article.—So. Pittsburg Statesman.

Visiting Jasper Saturday, the NEWS was informed that in addition to the small army of candidates for Tax Assessor, Mr. H. H. Havron is a candidate, we think he would be competent man for the place.

Messrs Sherman and Melcher went to the Martin and Byers mill last week by appointment to measure timber but were disgusted to find they had wasted their time as the timber was not felled. Business, gentlemen!

Col. S. H. Melcher, wife and daughter went to Chattanooga Tuesday, to attend the G. A. R. convention at that place and to meet old comrades, some of whom he has not met for years.

A chap hailing from Bridgeport traded horses with Davidson last week. Tuesday he came back here squealing like a stuck pig, and got his horse back. He was so delighted with his good fortune, although he had to pay for it, that he kissed good bye at once.

The indications are that there will be a plentiful crop of fruit trees, although nothing like what it was last year. The canning factories are making great preparations for the coming season, as well as the crate and basket factories.

The Odd Fellows are going to have a grand picnic at Whitwell, the twenty-fifth of this month. They are getting up a good program, and will spare time nor money to make it a success. Better take your folks and have a day's outing.

Somebody very ignorantly perhaps persists in classing the G. A. R. and Sons of Veterans as political association. This is wrong; politics in any shape are prohibited in both, and very properly so: both are free American Institutions, giving every member full liberty.

Mr. J. G. Lankester, of Jasper, was in town Thursday afternoon. He is engaged in taking up oil leases in this section for the O'Hara Bros., of Pittsburg, Pa. Mr. Lankester says that if sufficient leases can be secured, it is highly probable that some experimental wells would be driven in this valley to test this locality. They cannot do this too quick. The Sequachee Valley should have oil judging from former reports and discoveries.

The late gales and tornado in Texas, April 11, did great damage at Annetta, Parker Co., next station to Aledo. One store and contents was blown away and a number of residences crushed and in Johnson and Tarrant Cos. churches and other buildings were badly wrecked. We will bet a cotton hat that while that wind was blowing our old neighbors, Mr. J. R. Owen and family, wished for the security of the Sequachee Valley.